

## Village of Roaming Shores Council

December 20, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Ball. Roll Call was taken and the following members were present : Roy Brommer, Bob Cook, Cheryl Copeland, Holly Mayernick, Joe Palombi, and Chad Vavpetic. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Leeann Moses, Village Administrator Kevin Grippi and Solicitor Kyle Smith.

MINUTES TO THE PREVIOUS MEETING : Cheryl Copeland made a motion, seconded by Roy Brommer to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2011, meeting. The motion passed with all in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT : Cheryl Copeland made a motion, seconded by Roy Brommer, to accept the Treasurer's Report with an ending balance of \$1,208,309.00. The motion passed with all in favor.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS : *Chuck Pirnat* asked for clarification on an Ordinance before Council requiring connection to the Village water and wastewater systems for all residences within the Village. *Bob Gregory* spoke about the Building rules and the Covenants and Restrictions of the Rome Rock Association. *Tina Meeker* stated that this was her very first Council meeting that she has attended and that she is very disappointed with the conduct of members of Council. She asked if the Village has enacted increases to the water and sewer bills, since her bill has gone up. *No increase in the Utility rates, her usage must be more than normal.*

MAYOR'S REPORT : Mayor Ball thanked the people who donated to our food drive, even though the numbers were few, the result was significant. He also expressed his gratitude to the Village employees for their dedicated service, which makes his job a lot easier. He also thanked members of Council and members of the various committees for all the hard work completed all year long to keep our Village running smoothly. The Mayor has serious concerns about the well-being of our community following recent actions taken at the Rome Rock Association Board meeting to raise the assessments of the property owners to support the dredging project. His comments in no way is meant to stress the relationship between the Association and the Village, but he felt compelled to bring it to light that the Village plans to make improvements to our wastewater infrastructure. If given the choice between the two projects, would you want to improve the depth of the south end of the lake, which historically has been shallow or do you want to be able to flush your toilet without running into problems with the EPA? Perhaps it is too late, be the Mayor fears that this may draw a line in the sand between the affluent and the not so affluent in our Village.

*Chad Vavpetic* commended the Rome Rock Association Board and the Lake Management committee for all the work done on the dredging project. He did not appreciate the Mayor expressing his opinion on the dredging project and felt that he is abusing his power. He added that it is unfair to ask the Association to wait around on the Village to make decisions on infrastructure repairs.

ROME ROCK ASSOCIATION LIASON REPORT : No report was given.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT : Administrator Kevin Grippi provided a written report highlighting tasks undertaken the previous months for the Village, Utility and Zoning departments. He also submitted his annual zoning report detailing permits, issued and recommended that Council increase the fee for lot clearing.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT : Chief Rasmussen provided a written report for the month of November, Sgt Despenes added that the department travelled 2,917 miles, consumed 202 gallons of gas and responded to 38 complaints. The Chief's new cruiser has arrived with the other one arriving before the end of the week. Roy Brommer asked if the Police Chief could please attend the meetings in the future.

COMMITTEE REPORTS : *Planning/Zoning* – Discussion on the recent action taken at the meeting followed. *Finance/Audit* – nothing to report at this time. *Lake Dam/Stormwater*- A meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 22, 2011, and Joe Palombi asked that the Finance committee earmark \$20,000 to find a better way of controlling the lake level. Discussion followed. *Personnel* - The next meeting is on Wednesday, December 21, 2011 at 4:00 PM, where the employee manual will be discussed. *Safety* - Rick Rumbaugh thanked Joe Palombi for his dedication and hard work completed while serving on the Safety committee as well as Council. *SCAD/Utility* – Bob Cook noted that SCAD responded to 11 calls within the Village last month, 87 for the year. He distributed minutes of the recent Utility Study meeting. *Roads/Community Development* - Community Development meets the first Saturday in January. At the recent meeting discussion on salting the roadways, meeting notices and a sign for the Village Hall occurred. *Records*- nothing to report at this time.

The Oath of Office was given to Council elect member Debra Kline and Bob Cook by Mayor Ball.

OLD BUSINESS : The bid opening for the lift station project will be on Wednesday, December 21, 2011. The meter project is on hold until next year. (2) NIMS compliance class will be offered at the Village Hall for those members of Council and Village employees who have not completed them on Saturday, January 14, 2012 beginning at 8:00 AM.

NEW BUSINESS : It was decided that the Village purchase a large canvass map from the Association at a cost of \$225.00.

ORDINANCE 513-04-11 : *Amending the Zoning Code to Comply with State Provisions (tabled)*. Council will hold a public hearing on February 21, 2012, beginning at 6:30 PM on this proposed Ordinance.

ORDINANCE 535-11-11 : *Temporary Appropriations for 2012(2<sup>nd</sup>)*. Roy Brommer made a motion, seconded by Cheryl Copeland, to suspend three reading rule for this Ordinance. The motion passed with all in favor. Roy Brommer made a motion, seconded by Cheryl Copeland, to pass Ordinance 535-11-11 for the second and final reading. The motion passed with all in favor.

ORDINANCE 536-11-11 *Authorizing the Mayor to Close Lift Station 1 (2<sup>nd</sup>)*. A motion was made by Roy Brommer, seconded by Bob Cook, to table Ordinance 536-11-11. The motion passed with all in favor.

ORDINANCE 537-11-11 : *Amending Zoning Ordinance Requiring Zoning Inspector to Obtain a Search Warrant Prior to Entering Property(1<sup>st</sup>)*. Holly Mayernick made a motion, seconded by Cheryl Copeland, to table Ordinance 537-11-11. The motion passed with all in favor.

ORDINANCE 538-11-11 : *Requiring All Buildings/Structures To Be Connected to the Village Water and Sewer Services (2<sup>nd</sup>)*. A motion was made by Cheryl Copeland, seconded by Roy Brommer, to pass Ordinance 538-11-11 for the second reading in title only. The motion passed with all in favor with the exception of Holly Mayernick, who voted against it.

ORDINANCE 539-11-11 : *Revision of the Lot Clearing Ordinance (2<sup>nd</sup>)*. Cheryl Copeland made a motion, seconded by Holly Mayernick, to table Ordinance 539-11-11. The motion passed with all in favor.

ORDINANCE 540-12-11 : *Seek Competitive bids for Logging Village Land at Recycling Center and Wastewater Treatment Plant (1<sup>st</sup>)* A motion was made by Holly Mayernick, seconded by Cheryl Copeland, to pass Ordinance 540-12-11 in title only for the first reading with the understanding that the final ordinance will include the long-term plan, to thin the recycling center and wastewater treatment plant property -- not just approval for an upcoming round of removal. The motion passed with all in favor.

RESOLUTION 542-12-11 : *Honoring Council member Joe Palombi for his service to Village Council*. A motion was made by Cheryl Copeland, seconded by Roy Brommer, to pass Resolution 542-12-11 . The motion passed with all in favor.

ORDINANCE 543-12-11 : *Emergency Ordinance Amending Permanent Appropriations for 2011 (1<sup>st</sup>)*. Cheryl Copeland made a motion , seconded by Bob Cook, to suspend the three reading rule. The motion passed with all in favor. Cheryl Copeland made a motion, seconded by Holly Mayenick, to pass Ordinance 543-12-11 for the first and final reading. The motion passed with all in favor.

RESOLUTION 544-12-11 : *Accepting the Rates and Rules and Determined by the County Budget Commission*. A motion was made by Cheryl Copeland, seconded by Roy Brommer, to pass Resolution 544-12-11. The motion passed with all in favor.

ANY OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS : Holly Mayernick asked if the meeting was being recorded. Bob Cook explained our recent purchased recorder is not compatible to our sound system, and will be replaced by the vendor at no cost.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL OF COUNCIL : Cheryl Copeland made a motion, seconded by Roy Brommer, to approve payment of the following bills : Star Beacon - \$325.82, Amazing Auto - \$50.58, Village of Middlefield - \$1968.75, Treasurer, State of Ohio - 180.00, TAC Computers - \$100.00, Nassief Ford Mercury - \$56,579.46, Kyle Smith - 1,250.00, Love Insurance - \$200.00, Gazette Printing - \$16.50, and Illuminating Company - \$100.41. The motion passed with all In favor.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS : *Bruce Bower* announced that a Boaters Safety Course will be offered on Saturday, March 24, 2012, at the Marina from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. He also added that he stands behind Mayor Ball in giving his opinion on the dredging project which is being undertaken by the Association. *Nick Vavpetic* – added that he has a lot of respect for Mayor Ball and is all about saving money, but disputes the cost saving measure with the water meter reading project and the construction of the Village Hall. *Bob Gregory* spoke about possible miscommunication between the Association and the Village and perhaps it is time to schedule a Joint meeting. *Doris Karger* – added that she has been coming to both the Association and Village Council meetings for at least three years.. There was much discussion about fixing up the old building versus building a new one. The building is here, it is done, move on ! *Nick Vavpetic* disagreed with her, stating the rules of Council did not allow Visitor's comments until after an Ordinance was discussed and voted on. *Roy Brommer* thanked everyone for their concern and cards for his wife.

Mayor Ball wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ADJOURNMENT : Cheryl Copeland made a motion, seconded by Bob Cook to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Ball adjourned the meeting at 9:15 PM.

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